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In re the Application of:

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Examiner: Li B. Zhen

For: METHOD AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING STATE INFORMATION IN A MANAGEMENT NETWORK HAVING A NUMBER OF MANAGEMENT LEVELS

**SUBSTITUTE RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 21, 2006, the status of claim 30 has been updated and the first paragraph of the Remarks has been edited to remove the statement that claim 30 was added. The remainder of the June 30, 2006 Response to the Office Action mailed December 30, 2005 is unchanged.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.